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REPLY BRIEF

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SUMMARY OF REPLY

The EXAMINER'S ANSWER mailed June 7, 2005, demonstrates a continued insistence on converting the threaded shaft of Miller into a peg, notwithstanding the completely different fastening system underlying the Miller disclosure. The stubborn effort of the Examiner to drive a threaded shaft through a round hole is the issue underlying the "Grounds of Rejection to be Reviewed on Appeal."

THE ARGUMENT

The "Grounds of Rejection" set forth in the Examiner's Answer mailed on June 7, 2005, acknowledge that Benjamin (U.S. Patent No. 3,613,694) does not disclose a peg attached to the